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SUBJ: GOC WHITE PAPER LISTS ACCUSATIONS AGAINST PREVIOUS
REGIME; CARE LISTED AMONG EXAMPLES UNDULY PRIVILEGED GROUPS

1. THE EMBASSY HAS JUST OBTAINED SINGLE COPY OF GOC PUBLICATION
"LIVRE BLANC, 1963-1975" PURPORTING DETAIL CORRUPTION WKD
MALFEASANCES TOMBALBAYE REGIME. PREINTED IN PARIS UND DATED
MAY 1976, IT SEEMS LIKELY THAT WHITE PAPER MEANT TO APPEAR IN
CONJUNCTION WITH FIRST ANNIVERSARY MILITARY TAKEOVER IN APRIL,
BUT AS USUAL IN CHAD, DELAYS OCCURRED.

2. WHITE PAPER IS UNEVEN AND NOT ALWAYS COHERENT. IT PRESENTS
GOC NARRATIVE IN JUSTIFICATION OF MILITARY TAKEOVER, PRESENTS
SOME FINDINGS OF INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEES FORMED AFTER 1975
COUP, REPRINTS MAJOR POLICY STATEMENTS OF MILITARY REGIME, AND,
IN SIXTY PAGE ANNEX, REPRODUCES FINANCIAL DOCUMENTS, LETTERS,
AND AGREEMENTS OF TOMBALBAYE REGIME TO DOCUMENT CHARGES
CORRUPTION AND MALFEASANCE.

3. WHITE PAPER WOULD BE OF PASSING INTEREST ONLY TO USG WERE
IT NOT FOR FACT THAT IN ANNEX LABELED "SOME PRIVILEGED REGIMES"
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IT REPRODUCES CARE BILATERAL AGREEMENT WITH GOC, ALONG WITH

OTHER DECREES AND AGREEMENTS OF PREVIOUS REGIME WHICH DESIGNED TO DEMONSTRATE THAT ACTIONS OF TOMBALBAYE GOVERNMENT NOT IN BEST INTERESTS OF COUNTRY. CARE BILATERAL REPRODUCED WITHOUT COMMENT, SAVE FOR MARKING PARAGRAPHS GUARANTEEING DUTY FREE ENTRY OF RELIEF SUPPLIES AND DUTY FREE PRIVILEGES CARE STAFF. AN APRIL 25, 1975 MEMORANDUM PREPARED FOR INQUIRY COMMISSIONS OF MILITARY GOVERNMENT BY DIRECTOR OF CUSTOMS COMMENTS ON SEVERAL ORGANIZATIONS WHICH RECEIVED PRIVILEGES UNDER UTOMBALBAYE REGIME, INCLUDING CARE. REGARDING CARE, MEMORANDUM NOTES SIMPLY THAT BILATERAL WAS NOT REVIEWED BY "INTERESTED TECHNICAL SERVICES" AND THAT QUANTITY OF IMPORTS LARGE FOR A "PRIVATE COOPERATIVE."

4. CARE DIRECTOR REITZ HAS DISCUSSED WHITE PAPER WITH HIS PRINCIPAL GOC CONTACT, SECRETARY GENERAL OF GOVERNMENT, WHO MADE POINT THAT WHITE PAPER HAS BEEN IN WORKS FOR SIX MONTHS AND THAT GOC HAS DEMONSTRATED ITS CONFIDENCE IN CARE IN RECENT MONTHS BY CONTINUING GOOD OPERATION AND BY CONCLUDING AGREEMENTS FOR NEW PROJECTS. REITZ AND SECRETARY GENERAL TOGETHER COLLABORATING IN DRAFTING CARE LETTER TO GOC WHICH WILL RESTATE CARE OBJECTIVES IN CHAD, TO WHICH GOC EXPECTED TO REPLY WITH STATEMENT OF GOC SATISFACTION WITH ITS RELATIONS WITH CARE.

5. WHILE EMBASSY AND CARE DIRECTOR REITZ CONCUR THAT REPRODUCTION CARE BILATERAL AND DIRECTOR OF CUSTOMS COMMENTS IN WHITE PAPER UNFORTUNATE, DUTY FREE PRIVILEGES OF FRENCH FONDS D'AIDE ET COOPERATION (FAC) AND EUROPEAN COMMUNITY FONDS ECONOMIQUE DE DEVELOPMENT (FED) ALSO NOTED IN SAME DIRECTOR CUSTOMS MEMORANDUM. IN SUM, CARE AND EMBASSY ATTRIBUTE INCLUSION CARE DOCUMENTS IN WHITE PAPER ANNEX MORE TO GENERAL INEPTNESS GOC THAN TO ANY POLICY DECISION AND DO NOT EXPECT THAT WHITE PAPER WILL ADVERSELY AFFECT CARE OPERATIONS IN CHAD.

6. COPY WHITE PAPER BEING POUCHED TO AF/W, AND CARE DIRECTOR REITZ PREPARING REPORT ON AFFAIR TO HIS US PRINCIPALS. DWYER

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